

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant: Craig D. Johnson, et al.

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Group Art No.: 3679

Serial No.: 10/708,517

Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody

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Title: JOINING TUBULAR MEMBERS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

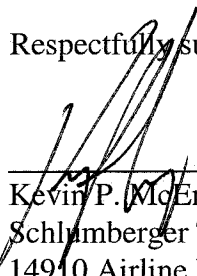
Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed on June 30, 2006, the Assignee elects the species of Group I, claims 1-5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18 and 22, without traverse.

The Commissioner is authorized to pay any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0457.

Respectfully submitted,

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